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Mr. L. K. Tulasiram :—" May I know from the hon. Minister whether the ink manufactured in our ink factory is superior to the ink imported from England ? "

The hon. the President :—" That is asking for an opinion."

Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar :—" May I know whether any tenders were invited ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" Yes."

Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar :—" May I know how many tenders have so far been received ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" I want notice."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" In reply to clause (e) of the question, the answer given is 'Yes', i.e., the 'Director of Industries has got proposals ready for starting some industry or other'. I just want to know what those proposals are."

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" I do not say that those proposals have been finally decided upon."

Winding up of some industrial concerns managed by the Director of Industries.

*652 Q.—Mr. C. Gopala Menon : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state what industrial concerns under the management of the Director of Industries are proposed to be wound up or disposed of in the near future ?

A.—Ink manufacture in the Government Industrial Institute, Madras.

Development of cottage industries in Kistna district.

*653 Q.—Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether any investigation is proposed to be made by Government with regard to the means of developing cottage industries in Kistna district ; and

(b) if so, when, and through whom ?

A.—One of the three Special Tahsildars appointed for the survey of cottage industries has, under the supervision of the Special Deputy Collector, made a survey of the cottage industries in the Kistna district. The Director of Industries is awaiting a report from the Special Deputy Collector on the results of the survey.

Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao :—" May I know what cottage industries were made a survey of ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" All cottage industries."

Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao :—" May I know whether the report that has been submitted by the officer who has been deputed to make this survey will be placed on the table of the House ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" Yes."